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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Peabody, qualified to vote in town affairs, held March 21st, 1870, by adjournment from March 7th, 1870, it was


VOTED, That the Report of the Trustees of the Peabody Institute, together with the accompanying documents, be accepted, and that the same be printed for distribution.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

N. H. POOR, TOWN CLERK.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.



The Eighteenth Annual Report of the Trustees of the Peabody Institute closes the history of a year more memorable in our annals than any which the past has seen or which the future can reveal. At first signalized by the return of Mr. Peabody to his native country, his reception by the Trustees upon his landing at New York, his gift to them of the famous Congressional medal, so interesting, not only for its intrinsic value and rare beauty as a work of art, but for the unparalleled act of charity which it commemorates, his subsequent visit to our town, his welcome banquet to his friends at the Institute, and his additional donation of Fifty Thousand Dollars,—and, then, by his return to England, his last sickness and lamented death at London, the solemn obsequies at Westminster Abbey and temporary repose

and the next generation only, but for "the promotion of knowledge and morality" among the people of George Peabody's native town, through all generations, and, with the smiles of Providence upon it, to the end of time. It is incumbent upon us, then, in all our arrangements and calculations, to have due regard and make adequate provision for the future. This was the expressed wish of our benefactor, and this not only gratitude but ordinary prudence enjoins. With the increase in our population and the advance of science will come new and larger wants. We shall need additional structures, more spacious halls, improved appliances. And misfortune may come upon us. Fire may devour our stately edifices and the treasures they contain, or some convulsion of nature sweep them away. In any event, they will crumble and decay beneath the action of the elements and "the gnawing tooth of time." We must be prepared, so far as human foresight can provide, for any accident and every contingency, and for all probable needs. Accordingly, the Trustees have determined to, and have set apart a portion of their present capital as a Reserved Fund, in the full belief that such a measure is demanded alike by prudence and justice, and that there will still be left sufficient available income to meet every reasonable demand of the present day. That the inhabitants of the town may be fully informed, as is their right, of the precise action of the Trustees, and the further reasons therefor, we herewith submit an extract from the records of the Board:

"The following statement and vote, the result of deliberation and discussion at several meetings of the Board of Trustees, were adopted and passed unanimously, and ordered to be placed upon the records:

"When Mr. Peabody's last donation of Fifty Thousand Dollars was made, it was made by him in person at a meeting of the Trustees which he had desired to be called for the purpose. No member of the Board whose fortune it was to be present will ever forget that interview. It was manifest that Mr. Peabody regarded it as probably the last time he should ever visit this seat of his earliest and favorite charity, while those thus privileged to meet him, saw too sure indications that his earthly end was drawing near, and that in all human probability they were looking their last upon the great Benefactor.

"In this view, the occasion was one of unusual solemnity, and all that then and there transpired partook of historic interest, and becomes entitled to commanding weight and authority.

"Mr. Peabody discussed with the Trustees, fully and freely, the past history, the present condition, and the future wants of the Institute. And after mature, and evidently anxious consideration, he emphatically enjoined upon them, that a considerable part of his new donation should be held for the benefit of the Institute in future years. And the Trustees then gave to Mr. Peabody their solemn assurance, that so far as they had power, either themselves to act, or to direct and influence the action of their successors, his wishes should be sacredly observed, and that they would in all respects earnestly strive not only to promote the prosperity and usefulness of the Institute for the present time, but to provide for its being an enlarged and ever increasing instrumentality for "the spread of knowledge and morality" to all coming generations.

"And now, in fulfilment of this pledge, after careful

deliberation, having in view all the reasonable demands of our community to-day, and anticipating, so far as possible, its prospective wants, and appreciating in full the great responsibility of our action, and in hope and with faith that it will be permanent and enduring, it is unanimously

" Voted, That a portion of the capital funds of the Institute, representing, and fully equal in value to, the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, be set apart and constituted a Reserved Fund, the interest of which, as it accrues, shall be added to and become a part of the principal; that the Treasurer of the Board shall keep and annually present an account of this fund, with its accumulations, to be designated the Reserved Fund Account, separate and distinct from his general account, that no draft shall at any time be made upon this fund for the ordinary expenses of the Institute, but that it shall be allowed to increase, without deduction or interruption, until such time as it may be necessary to erect new edifices, or make some organic change in, or permanent addition to, the Institute, or until some great emergency shall arise, and that, then, only the accumulations shall be drawn upon and used, but that the original fund of Twenty Thousand Dollars shall be always and forever kept whole and intact; to the end, that thus the last request of Mr. Peabody may be obeyed, the true and wise purposes of his bounty be fulfilled, and the best interests of the people of his native town, which he loved so well, be hereafter and forever secured.

(Signed)

" Alfred A. Abbott,
George F. Osborne,

Charles B. Farley,
Edward W. Jacobs,

William Sutton,
George Osborne,
George A. Osborne,
Benj. C. Perkins,

Stephen Blaney,
Thomas E. Proctor,
John A. Lord,
Henry Pollock."

The Trustees have gone into and dwelt at such length upon this subject, and to the exclusion of other topics of interest, because of its transcendent importance, as they regard it, just at this period of our history. They sincerely hope that their action in the premises will commend itself to the people of the town, and that their successors, strengthened and encouraged by the approving voice of their fellow-citizens, will hold and guard this Reserved Fund as sacred to the payment of a new "debt due from present to future generations."

As to the general condition of the Institute and its affairs, the Trustees deem it unnecessary at this time to do more than call attention to the accompanying reports of the Chairman and Sub-Committees of the Lyceum and Library Committee, and of the Librarian, all of which are unusually full and interesting, and for which they bespeak a careful perusal. They show everything to be in a sound and healthy condition, giving promise of increasing prosperity and enlarged usefulness.

After a period of some months' inactivity, demanded not only by a decent respect for the dead, but a token of grief and a tribute of affection sincerely paid, the Institute now wakes to new life and energy.

The philanthropic purposes of its founder, sanctified by his death, have assumed a fresher interest and a deeper significance. From his hallowed grave come new and more persuasive admonitions to duty,—calling upon us by every emotion of gratitude and love, by every con-

sideration of interest and obligation, and ever observing the salutary conditions and obeying the solemn injunctions which accompanied its original endowment, to build up, cherish, magnify and perpetuate the noble charity he has here planted: so that it shall be a fit monument to the memory of him whom our children and our children's children shall rise up and call blessed,—a man whose life and deeds find no exact parallel in history, who, without advantages of high birth or public station, yet ranked with princes, statesmen and heroes, and had august sovereigns for his friends; who by long years of industry and untiring toil, by thrift, sagacity and foresight, but always with honor and rectitude, amassed a colossal fortune, which he hastened to dispense in his life-time in almost fabulous bounties for the good of his fellow-men; who well nigh reduced benevolence to a science and made charity a fine art; whose acts of beneficence have given to his name a fame as wide as the civilized world; and the precious results of whose work on earth will increase and expand with the rolling years, and continue to benefit and bless mankind, “to the last syllable of recorded time.”

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Trustees.

ALFRED A. ABBOTT, President.

PEABODY, March 21, 1870.

APPENDIX.

[NOTE. The Trustees append to their Report the correspondence between Mr. Peabody and the Board, relating to his donation of Fifty Thousand Dollars, deeming his letter of peculiar interest, as the last written communication made by him to the Trustees.]

NO. 91, LA FAYETTE ST., }
Salem, Sept. 13, 1869. }

TO HON. A. A. ABBOTT, *President of the Trustees of the
Peabody Institute, Peabody, Mass.,*

DEAR SIR—I beg to hand you herewith an order on Jas. Tinker, Esq., New York, for Fifty thousand dollars.

This sum is to be added to the funds already in the hands of your Board of Trustees, and used for the purposes of the Institute as already defined and stated to you in my previous letters, the injunctions contained in which I again confirm and repeat, in every respect.

I trust that this sum, in addition to the funds already at your disposal, and making in all the amount of **Two** hundred Thousand Dollars, may make your Institute **not** only independent, but wealthy, and that it may serve to

enlarge even more widely the field of usefulness, for all generations, in which the Institute has already commenced so successful a mission.

I am with great respect,

Your obedient servant,

GEORGE PEABODY.

PEABODY INSTITUTE, Peabody,)
 Sept. 14th, 1869. }

GEO. PEABODY, Esq.,

My Dear Sir—

The Trustees of the Institute are not satisfied with the hasty expression of thanks which they had the opportunity of making to you personally, in the delightful interview with which they were this day favored, but, at a meeting held immediately after your departure, they instructed me to convey to you, in more formal and fitting terms, their profound sense of gratitude for the renewed manifestations of your bounty, and their fervent acknowledgement of the additional obligations under which you have thus placed them, and all the people of your native place.

I know not how, my Dear Sir, properly to perform the delightful duty assigned me, for my emotions, as well as those of my associates, are beyond any power of words to express. I can only say, that our hearts are full of thankfulness, benediction and love,—that we, and those who shall succeed us in our office, will ever strive to be

faithful almoners of your wise and generous charity,—and that it shall be our honest and earnest endeavor that this Institution, endowed by the first of that long series of unparalleled benefactions which have immortalized your name, founded upon the spot hallowed as the place of your birth and the home of your early years, and honored by you as the repository of treasures dear to you, and dear to us, as commemorative of your splendid acts, shall hereafter and ever be, by its active and potent efforts in “the spread of knowledge and morality,” a noble and enduring monument to your memory.

And, my Dear Sir, that your health may be restored, and length of days yet given you, and that you may long be permitted to see the rich fruits of your good works, is the sincere prayer of your friends, the Trustees, and of your obliged and obedient servant,

ALFRED A. ABBOTT,

President of Trustees.

<i>Trustees of Peabody Institute in acct. with Geo. Osborne, Treasurer.</i>		Dr.
1869.		
March	18, To paid Townsend, freight of books from Liverpool,	\$6 75
	23, To paid Blaney, painter, on houses \$40 09; Institute, \$1 50,	41 59
April	5, To paid gas bill three months, to April, 1869,	65 20
	15, To paid Neptune Insurance Office on \$9,300 00 for five years, to April, 1874,	156 75
	15, To paid Merchants' Insurance Office on \$10,000 00 for five years, to April, 1874,	157 50
	15, To paid X. H. Shaw, two frames, panels, glass and labor—"Jerusalem," ancient and modern,	78 00
	16, To paid C. G. Folsom, carpenter bill of 1867 on dwelling houses, \$4 07; a bill of 1869, Book Indicator, \$269 11,	273 18
	17, To paid B. M. Hills, carpenter, repairs on brick house, per Gallup,	8 90
	22, To paid C. W. Stiff, photograph of Institute,	7 50
	30, To paid Whipple & Smith, house paper per J. A. L.,	7 20
May	5, To paid Franklin Insurance Office, on books, portrait and bust,	12 75
	6, To paid D. B. Lord, Jr., gas pipe,	25 54
July	1, To paid gas bill three months, to July 1,	22 80
	20, To paid J. H. Teague, janitor, six months to July 1st, \$300 00; sundries, \$4 12,	304 12
	22, To paid Clark & Giddings, carpenters, bills of April and May on houses, \$41 48; bills of June 17, seven windows, \$17 70; of Turner, for locating Congress Medal, \$35 00.	94 18
	23, To paid H. L. Whidden, painter—on houses,	54 09
	26, To paid N. Annable, repairing iron fence and gate,	29 93
	28, To paid Salem Aqueduct Co, water for two houses and Institute,	10 00
	29, To paid Lyceum and Library Committee,	1200 00
Aug.	13, To paid Potter & Bachelder, 20 tons coal, \$190 00—less \$10 00,	180 00
	14, To paid F. Poole, J. Perley's bill for blank book for Queen Victoria's Letter, \$3 00; Smith & Chamberlain, repair of Congress Medal, \$1.00,	4 00
	31, To paid E. P. Cassell, for material and labor in July,	650 00
Sep'r	10, To paid loan to Town of Peabody, demand note at 7 pc,	6,441 04
	18, To paid loan to Town of Peabody, demand note at 7 pc,	5,364 04
Octo'r	6, To paid J. H. Teague, janitor, three mos. to Oct. 1,	150 00
	6, To paid loan to Town of Peabody demand note,	48,194 92
Amount carried forward,		<u>\$63,539 98</u>

	Amount brought forward,	\$63,539 98
Octo'r 13,	To paid Gas bill three months, to October 1,	10 80
25,	To paid loan to Town of Peabody, per note payable 5 years from its date, October 6, 1869, interest at 7 pc semi-annually,	70,000 00
Nov'r 10,	To paid Williams' bill, sundry material in July,	90 22
Dec'r 21,	To paid F. Poole for Perley's bill—blank book for visitors' record,	16 00
31,	To paid Roach, labor on sink drain,	3 50
1870.		
Janu'ry 3,	To paid gas bill three months to January 1,	33 60
3'	To paid Henderson & Thurston, oval top mirror for ante room,	10 50
7,	To paid Aqueduct bills, six months to January 1,	10 00
14,	To paid Clark & Giddings, for glass knobs, marble shelf, &c., on houses,	10 74
14,	To paid Lyceum and Library Committee,	1000 00
14,	To paid C. H. Cate, cementing floor of Institute, brick coal bins put up, white washing, etc., per order of Enlargement Committee,	525 00
Feb'y 11,	To paid G. F. Osborne, for J. H. Daniels' bill for 300 coat of arms print for books,	4 50
12,	To paid J. H. Teague, janitor, three months' salary to January 1st, \$150 00; charcoal, etc., \$20 80,	170 80
14,	To paid Insurance: Franklin Office, \$30 00 Manufacturers' Office, 15 00 Tremont Office, 21 25—	66 25
23,	To paid Postage and Revenue Stamps, petty ex. acct,	3 00
23,	To paid Jas. O. Whitten, on furnaces, etc., balance of sundry bills, 1867-68-69,	19 42
25,	To paid D. B. Lord, Jr., gas fixtures, pipe and labor, Nov., Dec., and January,	251 36
	Balance cash to new acct.,	1,338 86
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		\$137,104 53
1869.		Cr.
Feb'y	By balance from last acct,	\$382 26
March 25,	By Town of Peabody, interest six months on \$7000 00, note to March 12,	210 00
April 16,	By rents: D. Woodbury, 3 1-2 mos, to Ap. 16, \$34 41, to 19, Galloup, 3 mos, to April 1, 56 00, Grosvenor, 3 mos. to April 1, 50 00,—	140 41
April 20,	By use of hall by concert, etc., per J. A. Lord,	30 00
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	Amount carried forward,	\$762 67

	Amount brought up,		\$762 67
April 27,	By Town of Peabody, interest six months on \$3000 00, note to April 28th,		90 00
	30, By use of hall by Mr. Davis,		18 00
May 7,	By dividend on three shares Warren National Bank,		15 00
July	By rents: Winchester, 2 mos. to July 1, \$33 33		
	Galloup, 3 mos. to July 1, 56 00		
	Grosvenor, 3 mos. to July 1, 50 00—	139 33	
July 11,	By cash for 59 coupons, Mass. 5 pc bonds, No. 430 to 488, \$1475 00; premium, 36 1-2, \$538 37,	2013 37	
	20, By Rent of J. H. Teague, six months to July 1,	50 00	
Sep'r 10,	By sale of Mass. Bonds, No. 430 to 435, inclusive, viz: Six bonds of \$1000 each, at 106 3-4, \$6405 00		
	Interest, 2 months 9 days,	57 50	
	Commissions, 1-4, 15 00	6162 50	
	Tax, 1-10, 6 46—	21 46—	6441 04
Sep'r 17,	By sale of five bonds, Nos. 436 to 440, inclusive, at 106 1-2,	\$5325 00	
	Interest, 2 mos. 15 days,	52 08	
	Commissions, 1-4, 12 50	\$5377 08	
	Tax, 54	13 04—	5364 04
Octo'r 7,	By Rents: Winchester, 3 mos. to Oct. 1, \$50 00		
	Grosvenor, 3 mos. to Oct. 1, 50 00		
	Teague, 3 mos. to Oct. 1, 25 00		
	Galloup, 3 mos. to Oct. 1, 56 00—	181 00	
Octo'r 6,	By donation of George Peabody, Esq., of London, via, order on James Tinker, of New York, currency,	50,000 00	
Octo'r 25,	By Town of Peabody, note of Oct. 6, '69, \$48,194 02		
	By Town of Peabody, note of Mch. 12, '58, 7,000 00		
	By interest on last above note from Mch. 12, 1869, to Oct. 6, 1869, \$233 00		
	By Town of Pea'y, note of Ap. 28, '58, 3,000 00—		
	By interest on last above note from April 28, 1869, to Oct. 6, 1869, 79 00		
	By Town of Pea'y, note of Sept. 11, '69, 6,441 04		
	By interest on last above note to Oct. 6, 1869, at 7 pc, 31 31		
	By Town of Pea'y, note of Sept. 18, '69, 5,364 04—70,000 00		
	By interest on last above note to Oct. 6, 1869, at 7 pc, 18 77		
		367 08	367 08
Octo'r 29,	By dividend on three shares Warren National Bank,	18 00	
31,	By rent of D. R. Galloup, 3 mos. to Jan. 1, '70,	56 00	
	Amount carried over,		\$135,515 53

Amount brought up,		\$135,515 53
1870.		
Janu'ry 11, By int. on 48 Mass. Bonds, at 25 coin each,	\$1200 00	
Premium for gold at 22,	264 00—	1,464 00
Feb'y 14, By rents : Winchester, 3 mos. to Jan. 1, '70,	\$50 00	
Grosvenor, 3 mos. to Jan. 1, '70,	50 00	
Teague, 3 mos. to Jan. 1, '70,	25 00—	125 00

\$137,104 53

E. E. Peabody, Feb. 26, 1870.

GEO. OSBORNE,
Treasurer of Trustees.

Examined and approved.

C. B. FARLEY,	} Finance Committee.
G. A. OSBORNE,	
STEPHEN BLANEY,	
WM. SUTTON,	

INVESTED FUNDS OF THE PEABODY INSTITUTE.

No. 1—Three shares Warren National Bank, at par,	\$300 00
2—Eight certificates, Nos. 79 to 86, inclusive, of \$5000 each, of Registry of 40 Mass. 5 p. c. Coast Defence, gold bearing \$1000 bonds, No. 441 to 480, inclusive,	40,000 00
3—Eight Mass. 5 per cent Coast Defence gold bearing \$1000 bonds, Nos. 481 to 488, inclusive,	8,000 00
4—One Note Receivable, Town of Peabody, dated Oct. 6, '69, interest payable semi-annually,	70,000 00
5—Real Estate, comprising two dwelling houses, with their lands, one of brick on the easterly side, one of wood on the westerly side of the land belonging to and on which the Institute Hall is located—\$6000 00 each.	12,000 00
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	\$130,300 00
6—The Peabody Institute Hall and land, with the Library, Busts, Portraits and Cabinets of valuables, such as Queen Victoria's Miniature enamelled on gold, in large burglar proof steel safe, the Gold Tokens from the United States Congress, city of London, Guilds of London, etc., not appraised pecuniarily.	
Peabody, February 26, 1870.	

GEO. OSBORNE,
Treasurer of Trustees of Peabody Institute.

THE "EBEN DALE SUTTON LIBRARY" FUND

Of the Peabody Institute, in acc. with George Osborne, Treasurer.

Endowed by Mrs. Eliza Sutton of Peabody, accepted by and under the personal auspices of George Peabody, Esq., of London, on the 15th of October, A. D., 1866. The Fund Twenty Thousand Dollars.

1869.		Dr.
May 18,	To paid George A. Osborne, Treasurer of Lyceum and and Library Committee, gold coupons,	\$1000 00
June 22,	To paid Geo. A. Osborne, Treasurer, 20 gold coupons,	500 00
Sept'r 30,	To paid Geo. A. Osborne, Treasurer, 20 gold coupons,	500 00
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		\$2000 00
1869.		Cr.
May 18,	By 1 year's coupons, to Oct. 1, 1868, 40 at 25 gold,	\$1000 00
June 22,	By clip of 20 gold coupons to April 1, 1869,	500 00
Sept'r 30,	By clip of 20 gold coup's of 25 dolls. each, to Oct. 69,	500 00
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		\$2000 00

THE PEABODY HIGH SCHOOL MEDAL FUND

In acct. with George Osborne, Treasurer of Trustees.

Endowment of Geo. Peabody, Esq., of London, a native of this town. Donation two U. States 5 per cent 10-40 bonds, \$2000. Income to furnish medals for the High School.

N. B. The income of \$160 for fiscal year from March 1st, 1869, to March 1st, 1870, has not been called for by the School Committee, and therefore coupons not detached.

G. O.

Report of the Lyceum and Library Committee.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PEABODY INSTITUTE.

In discharge of my duty as Chairman of the Lyceum and Library Committee, I submit to you their annual Report, for the year ending in February 1870. Your attention is also invited to valuable suggestions and information contained in the accompanying reports of the Sub-Committees and the Treasurer and Librarian.

The present year of the Peabody Institute opened with bright prospects. Our enlarged Library room rapidly receiving fresh accessions to its shelves, our Lecture Hall with increased attractions and accommodations, the new Sutton Library room, about to be the delight of all whom either curiosity or the higher motive of self culture should call within its precincts, seemed to promise for the Institute a more full and complete career of usefulness than it had ever before attained. In mid-summer we were permitted to welcome Mr. ~~Ly~~ ^{Ly} once more to the home of his early youth, and though we marked the attenuation of a form once so noble, which told of the heavy weight of years and infirmities, yet

the attentions which he exerted himself to show to cherished friends, his lively interest in the Institution of his own foundation, made renewedly manifest both by his searching inquiries and further donations, encouraged us to hope and almost to believe, that the end of so useful a life was yet far off. But a great sorrow has cast upon us its shadow, and the fourth of November will be remembered as a sad epoch until the present generation shall have passed away.

The funeral honors at Westminster Abbey, the magnificent attendance to the land and spot of his birth, the drapery of mourning, the lying in state, and the solemn service and procession to his final resting place, are all too recent to permit a calm review of a life, whose termination all christendom have united in lamenting. We do not aspire to write his eulogy, and after the many and excellent words that have been uttered, whatever remains to be said, should be the work of other and abler hands. Yet, both decency and duty required from us a few words to mark our sense of the event which has befallen us.

One chapter in the history of the Peabody Institute has indeed closed. Mr. Peabody laid deep the foundations of this, his first charity, while yet in the full vigor of manhood. His friend, Mr. Abbot Lawrence, on the occasion of laying the corner stone of the Institute, drew a picture of him for us, to whom he was personally a stranger. "He is," he said, "a man with a sound mind in a sound body," the best guaranty, in his view, for wisdom as well as a long life. Mr. Peabody's wisdom was made manifest in a way almost original, by his choosing to become a public benefactor while yet he could oversee and give practical direction to his philanthropic impul-

ses. He could thus correct errors, give increased vigor to the execution of happy ideas of benevolence, and, what was of scarcely less importance, watch over the faithfulness and capacity of those in whose hands the administration of his gifts was placed. The few of us, whose official connection with the Peabody Institute dates back nearly to the start, and has continued uninterruptedly down to the present time, have felt the full weight and wisdom of that oversight and watchfulness. Often have we been strengthened to resist influences that would lead to what our better judgment did not approve, by reflecting that the future interests and prosperity of the Institute might depend on our decision. Henceforth we shall act from other than sordid motives. May that unselfishness, that willingness to make sacrifices for others, that golden rule, which animated Mr. Peabody, animate us and our successors.

In obedience to the order passed by your Board upon receiving the intelligence of Mr. Peabody's decease, the Institute was closed, and the public operations of all its departments were suspended until after the funeral ceremonies. The libraries were re-opened on the sixteenth of February. Although the period of suspension was, from well known causes, much longer than had been anticipated, there is still time left of the usual lecture season, and the Lecture Committee have arranged for a short course, as appears by their report.

Since we last addressed your body, a new department of the Institute has been put into full operation. It is with great pleasure we announce that the first steps have been taken for furnishing the shelves of the Sutton Reference Library Room. Our Board having chosen to place the immediate management of this Library in the

hands of a special Sub-Committee, that Committee has made a full report of all the details of its action, and they need not be repeated in this place. We sincerely hope and trust that, as years roll on, the just expectations of its founder will be more than realized in the good that it may confer, not only on our own citizens, but upon many others within reach of its influence.

In this connection we desire to say a few words touching our financial position. Those best acquainted with the internal concerns of the Institute have felt that Mr. Peabody's last donation came to us at a most opportune and even critical moment in its history. The truth is, that it had gradually grown to a point so far beyond its original proportions, that, necessarily, the expenses incidental to its management had begun to encroach upon the funds more particularly devoted to its main objects, and this too, notwithstanding Mr. Peabody's previous liberality in meeting our increased wants. As a consequence of these straightened circumstances, plans for filling up particular departments in the Peabody Library, which were deficient, have been repeatedly abandoned. If this state of things had continued, the temptation would have been almost irresistible to supply the deficiency by placing such books in the Sutton Library, and thus seriously to interfere with the due administration of the Sutton Fund. But now, with our ample means, we hope to pursue a well defined and well chosen plan. The heavy folios and other works that from their great cost or rarity ought not to circulate, may be placed in the Sutton Library. But there are many works which, though expensive, can only be used to advantage away from the building, and we should be very jealous of placing these where they cannot cir

culate. It is to be hoped, also, that hereafter the Lecture Department will have no difficulty in realizing all reasonable expectations.

There is one other point under this general head, that must not be passed by unnoticed. We have a veteran Librarian, whose long term of service has come to make him be considered almost a part of the Institution itself. His kindly nature in his intercourse with the public, the devotion with which he has performed his duties to the utmost of his ability, have been known and seen of all men. Through long years he has labored at his post, in season and out of season, without a word of complaint at the inadequacy of his compensation, which we confessed, but could not mend. We trust that, hereafter, his salary may be put upon a basis that will be just to him and honorable to ourselves. Miss Floyd, the Librarian of the Sutton Library, and others officially connected with the Libraries, have performed their duties to our satisfaction.

Before we close this report, we would again call your attention to the need of a Reading Room in connection with the Peabody Library, and to the suggestions on that topic contained in the special report. One obstacle in the way of preparing the western ante-room for that purpose, may be the inconvenience of heating it. In view of the failure to heat the Sutton Library Room, and the necessity of soon replacing one or more of the other furnaces, it may be proper to consider the expediency of heating the whole building by steam. One of the difficulties in providing a Reading Room would then disappear.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS M. STIMPSON,

Chairman of the Lyceum and Library Committee.

Report of the Library Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee having in charge the Peabody Library submit this, their annual Report :

As is well known, this Library has been in operation, the past year, but about nine months. During this period the demand for books has equaled that of former years for the same number of months. At the August examination it was found that the books, as far as defacement is concerned, were in better condition than usual. Many worn out books and others of no permanent value were not replaced ; new copies of those meritorious volumes which had done long service, were bought and a large number were rebound. About thirteen volumes of the Art Journal were put into substantial binding, as was the case with several other valuable sets. The Committee had hoped that they would be able, this year, to complete the sets of Foreign Magazines and Periodicals, but when it was found that two hundred and twenty-five volumes would be required for that purpose,

and that the expense would be at least six hundred dollars if they were imported, (as would be necessary, for only one set of seventy volumes could be found in Boston or New York at any time during the year,) it was thought best to defer the whole matter until a larger appropriation should be forthcoming. The purchase of the first and third volumes of the North American Review, nearly completes the set of that very valuable work, only the second and fourth being now wanting. Seven volumes of the Scientific American have been bought within the last two years, and only the first and second volumes are needed for us to possess the complete set of that periodical. It is hoped that at no distant day, we may be able to see all our sets of Magazines completed. It is very desirable, as a matter of economy, that many of our most valuable books, such as the Encyclopedia Britannica, be put into substantial leather binding.

The propriety of opening the Library upon every week day has been suggested for several years, and it is the opinion of the Committee that the time has arrived when this should be done and they respectfully suggest that it may be done at the commencement of the ensuing year.

A place for the reading of Magazines and other works, is also desirable. No other Library, within our knowledge, allows Pamphlets to be taken from the Library. As many numbers are lost, the amount of money saved by having them read in the building, would enable the Committee to add several new Magazines to the large list now taken.

The Committee have added about four hundred volumes of new books, the past year, at a cost of about six hundred and forty dollars; the average cost being nearly the same as last year.

The bill for binding is one hundred and seventy-five dollars, some thirty dollars more than last year; the increased expense arising from binding the Art Journal and a few other valuable works.

The suggestion of last year in regard to the almost imperative necessity of re-arranging the Library and cataloguing it anew, we repeat at this time, as it must be apparent to any one who has occasion to use several works upon any subject that is impossible, without a great loss of time, to find what he desires, even if the books have not been taken out of the Library by any borrower. The whole Library was deranged when the enlargement took place. The shelves being carried up to the ceiling, made it necessary to put the more popular books nearer the floor, and the standard and reference works at a greater height, so that the numbers do not follow each other consecutively. The Library should be arranged by subjects as nearly as possible, and then any one can see at a glance what belongs to the Library on any particular subject.

A new arrangement would necessitate a new catalogue. Since the last catalogue was printed, an invoice of twelve hundred volumes from Mr. Peabody and the purchases for five years have been put upon the shelves, so that at least two thousand and five hundred or three thousand volumes are not on any printed catalogue. There have been at least one thousand volumes worn out or of no great value, which have never been replaced; the names of these are still on our printed catalogue.

The Committee are aware that the desired change would require considerable expense and time to carry it into effect, and some of them having had experience in such matters are aware of the difficulties attending it, but

it is their firm belief that in order to make the Library more serviceable and of greater value to the many intelligent readers, the change referred to above is almost absolutely necessary.

The Committee again repeat what has so many times before been stated, that Mr. Poole, the Librarian, has performed his duties in the most acceptable manner, and it is believed that his several assistants have been attentive and faithful.

For the Committee,

J. WARREN UPTON, Chairman.

Report of the Sub-Committee on Lectures.

Soon after the appointment of the members composing the Lecture Committee, and early in the season, a meeting was held, and the Committee organized, by the choice of David R. Galloupe, Chairman. At that and a subsequent meeting, a course of lectures was projected, arrangements made, and afterward completed by the engagement of six lecturers to deliver eight lectures. Following the custom of past years, the Committee also engaged for a Reading, endeavoring to use the very limited amount of money appropriated for the use of this Committee, in such a manner that the community might receive both instruction and entertainment. Respecting the known views of the Trustees and others, three of the lectures were to have been of a purely scientific character; although the Committee do not presume to define so exactly the territory covered by the term scientific, as to assert that the three lectures mentioned would have exhausted that department of our course. Any branch of knowledge which receives the attention of able minds for any considerable time, soon claims a place which en-

titles it to the dignified name of a science. But the Committee suggest that whoever compose the Committee for the ensuing year, may be relieved from the responsibility of furnishing a course of lectures such as this town justly expects, upon an appropriation of Five Hundred Dollars. Without the aid of the low prices, agreed upon with two lecturers, the course could hardly have been made respectable even in the number of the lectures. Possibly there are lecturers, who for a very moderate compensation, would willingly deliver lectures which would convey as much useful information, and be in every respect as valuable, as any for which former committees have expended considerable sums of money; but your Committee confess to an entire ignorance of where such lecturers are to be obtained; and should we use our judgment in the selection of those whom we might deem fitted for such a service, it could only be regarded as an experiment, liable to total failure. We feel obliged, therefore, to seek through the ordinary channels, for information concerning the ability of lecturers, publicly known, to instruct and please, and selecting those who have an established reputation, we are also obliged to pay such prices as an appreciative public, and the lecturers, deem just and fair. But while thus stating some facts concerning our position, we disclaim any desire to use the funds committed to our charge, in any other than the most truly economical manner. The death of Mr. Peabody interrupted all the arrangements made by this Committee, and after engaging some of the lecturers a second time, in view of the earlier completion of the funeral obsequies, we were released from all our engagements without expense. At this date (Feb. 23d), when the lecture course is usually nearly closed,

your Committee report that the course for this year is still prospective, only one lecture having been delivered, namely, by Rev. Dr. Lord, on the 22d of February; his subject, Hildebrand. We refer, therefore, to what is hoped for in the future rather than to what has been realized in the past. The Committee have already engaged lecturers whose reputation is a guarantee, that the course though short, will be one of some interest. Although we are not able to fix definitely the dates of the several lectures, the list of lecturers is as follows:

Rev. Dr. LORD, of Stamford, Conn.

Rev. Dr. STONE, of San Francisco, Cal.

WIRT SYKES, Esq., of New York city.

Hon. WM. PARSONS, of England.

Prof. E. S. MORSE, of Salem.

Also a Reading, by

Mr. HERVEY, of Medford.

Respectfully submitted.

DAVID R. GALLOUPE, *Chairman.*

Librarian's Report.

TO THE LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE:

In presenting my Report of the condition and wants of the Peabody Library for the past year, I cannot avoid reference to the sad event of the fourth of November last. Although that event could not be said to be unexpected, yet when the intelligence of it came to us, it came with apparent suddenness and with a wide spreading gloom which overshadowed our whole community. In accordance with the general desire and deep feeling of our citizens to do all possible honor to the memory of Mr. Peabody, the Trustees immediately ordered a suspension of the usual operations of the Library room and other parts of the building. This suspension was expected at the time to be of short duration, but circumstances beyond the control of the government of the Institute deferred the time of opening the Library to the middle of February. The time during which the Library was thus closed, was just that portion of the year when the books are most in demand. This will account for the limited operations of the year.

At the annual examination of the Library in July, the policy adopted the preceding year was pursued, of laying aside the defective books for the binder or paper maker, and in some cases supplying their places with new copies. By this means only can the Library be kept in proper condition for usefulness. The number of new names of persons claiming the privileges of the Library is 239. The number of books now on the Accession Catalogue is 13,179. Deducting the number reported last year, 12,768, it shows an increase, exclusive of periodicals, of 411 volumes.

SHELF ROOM.

Although there is no immediate necessity for providing more shelving for the Peabody Library, the time is not far distant when additional room will be required. When that time arrives resort must be had to alcoves, as the most convenient and economical of space. One alcove of the size and form now in use, can be made to hold about 1800 volumes of average size. The length of the shelving, now in the Library room, is 1530 feet, equivalent to a quarter of a mile and 200 feet. This statement shows that there is ample shelf room for the present, if the floor shelves are to be used.

CHARACTER OF THE BOOKS PURCHASED.

The establishment of the Reference Library has not deterred the Committee of the Peabody Library from the purchase, so far as their means would allow, of works of standard character and permanent value. It may truly be said that in no former year has the proportion of books purchased in the departments of art, science and philosophy, been greater than in the year just passed. Works on the application of science to the useful arts, have a good representation in both Libraries, and may

be freely consulted by our intelligent mechanics. While seeking to obtain for our Library of Circulation all that is valuable in the popular literature of the day, the Committee have not omitted to obtain a fair supply of books which will be essentially useful to those busy working-men of our village, who cannot spare the time to consult them at the Library. The privilege of taking a good and useful book to his home, is a great boon to one who cannot find time to read it continuously at the Library room. The little fragments of time may thus be usefully employed.

Not only have the accessions to the Library the past year been of a high order of merit as a whole, but they embrace a wider range of topics. This is partly owing to the fact that the Committee have not confined their attention, so much as has been usual, to the productions of the American press, but have enriched our shelves with many valuable English books which have not here been reprinted.

DONATIONS.

The books presented to the Library, the past year, have been four volumes from Rev. J. H. Senter of Cambridge; Gen. M. C. Meigs of Washington, seven volumes; Hon. Benj. F. Butler, five volumes; John Whiteley, four volumes; R. S. Daniels, City of Lynn, Hon. Henry Poor, Hon. Charles W. Upham, Hon. William D. Northend, and Joseph Bullard of Boston, one volume each.

VISITORS.

The record of visiting strangers was kept up to the time of Mr. Peabody's decease, and the register shows a record of 19,855 since Aug. 9, 1865. These are nearly

all autographs, many of the writers being persons of great distinction in private and public life. On the 16th day of July last, the day of Mr. Peabody's visit to the Institute, a number of his friends, about thirty, were here on his express invitation to view the building and its contents. The company was composed of gentlemen of high standing as merchants, financiers and professional men, some of them of European reputation. These gentlemen, including Mr. Peabody himself, gave their names to the register, making a collection of autographs of men of great celebrity, not often found together. The occasion was so remarkable, and as regards our Institute, so historical, that I have been induced to preserve its remembrance by a memorial volume, containing not only the autographs, but the photographs of the participators.

The register of names may be continued, if it is the desire of the Committee to keep the record.

EBEN DALE SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY.

As Superintendent of this newly established Library, I am enabled to give an account of its operations for only a portion of the year, and under most unfavorable circumstances for its use by the public. The chief obstacle to its active usefulness has been the great influx of strangers from far and near, who have been attracted to it from motives of curiosity. The fame of its wonderful architectural symmetry and beauty of adornment, together with the touching story of its origin, have brought large numbers hither, whose whole object appeared to be to see and admire.

While this, in some of its aspects, is gratifying, inasmuch as it shows appreciation of the thoughtful generosity and benevolence of the founder, and holds up the

Library to public view as an example to other benefactors, it is not to be denied that it is an interruption of that quiet which is so desirable and essential to those who come as seekers of knowledge. As this curiosity must soon be gratified, we may not anticipate trouble from this source the coming year.

It is hardly needful to enlarge upon the advantages to our community of a well selected and well conducted Reference Library, one which will furnish means for the gratification of a cultivated taste, and the acquiring of substantial knowledge. To establish such a Library was the design of the benevolent founder, and it has been the earnest endeavor of the Committee having it in charge, to carry out her intentions in the best possible manner.

The Reference Library was opened to the public on the fourteenth day of June last, under regulations extremely liberal, debarring none from its proper use, whether citizens or strangers, provided they were of the requisite age. It continued open under the immediate charge of a competent librarian, up to the time of Mr. Peabody's decease. Her record shows the number of those who sought information from its shelves, to be eighty-five in a period of less than five months.

The subjects treated in the books consulted, as appears by the librarian's record, were as follows :

Anatomie De L'Homme was consulted ten times. Chambers' Cyclopedia eight times, Encyclopedia of Music six times, American Eloquence four times; Legends of the Madonna, Poets and Poetry of Europe, New American Cyclopedia, Muspratt's Chemistry, Micrographic Dictionary, and the American Journal of Education, were severally consulted three times; Kitto's

Biblical Cyclopedia, Legends of the Monastic Orders, Heraldry, and the German Dictionary, were twice consulted, and Shakspeare six times. The following works were each called for once : Greek and Roman Antiquities, Roman Biography, Sacred and Legendary Art, Bunsen's Egypt, Statesman's Manual, Carmina Collegensia, Cyclopedia of Useful Arts, Englishman's Concordance of the Greek Testament, Familiar Quotations, Cyclopedia of Drawing, Atlas of the World, Spanish Dictionary, English Grammar, Webster's Dictionary, Astronomy, Concordance of Shakspeare, Gleanings from Literature, Annual Cyclopedia, Geographical Dictionary, Life of Our Lord, Historical and Genealogical Register, National Portrait Gallery, United States Statutes at Large, Human Intellect, Latin Dictionary, Dictionary of Mechanics, Treatise on the Steam Engine, Mexican Antiquities, United States History.

Respectfully submitted.

FITCH POOLE, *Librarian.*

Library and Lyceum Com., in account with G. A. Osborne, Treasurer.

1869.

Dr.

Feb.	11,	Paid Rev. E. C. Bolles, for Lecture,	\$ 21 30
	11,	" E. A. Woodbury, services as Assistant Librarian,	13 46
	15,	" Gilmore's Band,	144 00
	15,	" C. D. Howard's bill, printing,	3 00
	15,	" W. Simonds' bill, entn'g Lecturers and Gilmore's Band,	32 25
	15,	" D. S. Littlefield's bill, services,	12 00
	15,	" N. M. Quint's bill, services,	12 00
	15,	" Munroe, Arnold & Co.'s bill,	1 00
	20,	" H. A. Brook's bill, binding,	26 27
	20,	" Jonathan Perley's bill, binding,	13 05
	20,	" F. Poole's bill, sundries,	6 82
	20,	" D. H. Townsend's express,	11 85
Mch.	4,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	40 52
	4,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	9 00
April	20,	" One quarter's services of Librarian,	200 00
	22,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	49 45
	22,	" Fares to Boston, for selection of books, 1868-9,	9 00
	22,	" For Johnson's Atlas,	17 50
	29,	" James H. Southwick, for ser. as Assistant Librarian,	6 50
May	19,	" Henry Frye's bill, six months' ser. as Ass't Librarian,	50 00
June	9,	" W. H. Piper's bill, books,	46 17
July	2,	" One quarter's services of Librarian,	200 00
	2,	" Postage bill,	5 05
	14,	" H. A. Brook's bill, books,	18 12
	28,	" B. E. Stevens' bill, stationery,	4 34
	28,	" E. Littlefield's bill,	2 50
Aug.	2,	" Jonathan Perley's bill, binding,	18 55
	5,	" Chas. D. Howard's bill, printing,	21 75
	5,	" Edwin O. Hyde's bill, services as Assistant Librarian,	25 00
	23,	" For Am. Year Book,	2 50
Sept.	21,	" Chas. D. Howard's bill, printing,	6 00
	21,	" W. H. Halliday's bill, books,	36 40
	21,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	59 61
	30,	" Expenses incurred in the purchase of books,	5 00
Oct.	8,	" J. Perley's bill, binding,	114 40
	8,	" Postage bill,	4 75
	9,	" One quarter's services of Librarian,	200 00
	28,	" W. H. Piper's bill, books,	56 09
Nov.	12,	" E. O. Hyde's bill, services as Assistant Librarian,	16 00
	20,	" W. P. Lakeman's bill, services as Assistant Librarian,	25 00
	20,	" R. P. Haines's bill, blank books,	9 63
	20,	" Munroe & Arnold's bill,	2 30
Dec.	16,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	70 40
	21,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	107 85

1870.

Jan. 5,	Paid Munroe & Arnold's bill,	40
6,	" One quarter's salary of Librarian,	200 00
6,	" Postage bill,	5 83
13,	" Am. Naturalist's bills,	13 60
13,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	93 23
13,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	15 15
20,	" Chas. A. Gilson's bill, periodicals,	56 25
Feb. 10,	" B. F. Stevens' bill, stationery,	6 26
14,	" Fares to Boston & Salem, since Aug. 1869, to obtain books,	4 00
15,	" Ink, pencils, etc.,	6 68
15,	" Volume 14, Scientific American,	3 00
	Balance,	741 25
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		\$2,881 93

1869.

		Cr.
Feb. 11,	By Balance,	605 60
Feb. 20,	By amount received for fines,	46 90
July 29,	By draft on Treasurer of the Trustees,	1,200 00

1870.

Jan. 14;	By draft on Treasurer of the Trustees,	1,000 00
Feb. 15,	By amount received for fines and paper stock,	29 43
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		\$2,881 93

1870.

Feb. 21,	By Balance,	741 25
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G. A. OSBORNE, *Treasurer.*

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE FOREGOING ACCOUNT.

Paid for lecture and concert,	\$221 52
Paid for books,	694 74
Paid for binding,	172 27
Paid for printing,	30 75
Paid for Librarian and Assistants,	935 96
Paid for stationery, postage and incidentals,	85 41
Balance,	741 25

 2,881 93

By Balance,	\$605 66
By drafts on the Treasurer of Trustees,	2,200 00
By received for fines,	76 33

 \$2,881 93

By Balance,	741 25
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G. A. OSBORNE, *Treasurer.*

Report on the Eben Dale Sutton Library.

The Committee on the Eben Dale Sutton Reference Library submit the following, as their annual report :

At a meeting of the Lyceum and Library Committee, held April 13th, 1869, Dr. Geo. S. Osborne, Messrs. J. B. Clement, J. W. Upton, J. H. Osgood and Thos. M. Stimpson were chosen "a committee for the management of the Eben Dale Sutton Library, with power to provide for attendant and other necessary expenses of the Library Room, and to purchase books."

Under the ample authority thus conferred upon them, the Committee were organized early in May, by the choice of Mr. Stimpson as Chairman, and Mr. Upton as Secretary, and promptly entered upon the performance of the duties assigned to them. In pursuance of an arrangement made by the Board of last year with Mr. Abbot of Gore Hall Library, at Cambridge, a list of

books desirable for the Library was received from him. This was the first instalment of a more complete list to be compiled by him for the future use of the Committee. Selections from this list were immediately submitted to booksellers in Boston, and proposals for furnishing books were in due time accepted, and in the course of May and June nearly three hundred volumes were received and placed upon the shelves.

In the meanwhile the Committee took into consideration the subject of attendance at the Library room, and decided to confer its general superintendence upon the Librarian of the Peabody Library, and that another person, to be called the Librarian, should have the immediate charge of the Library room, and be in attendance during Library hours. Regulations for the Library were also adopted, which will be found included in the edition of the Rules and Regulations of the Peabody Institute, recently published by the Trustees. Miss Mary J. Floyd was chosen Librarian at a salary of two hundred dollars a year, and it was voted to pay Mr. Poole one hundred and fifty dollars for his services as Superintendent. An arrangement has also been made to pay to Mr. Teague, the janitor of the building, the sum of fifty dollars, as our contribution to his salary, for services rendered in and about the Sutton Library room.

These preliminaries having been completed, and the progress made in forming the nucleus of a library seeming to justify it, the Library room was thrown open to the public for the consultation of books, on Wednesday, the 7th day of July. Due care has been taken in the regulations to secure the orderly use of books in the room, and the comfort and convenience of visitors. The general public, as well as our own citizens, are invited

to share the privileges of the Library, and many visitors, both from home and abroad, testify the gratifying interest that it has excited.

We have thus briefly sketched the labors of the Committee in inaugurating this new and most valuable feature of the Peabody Institute. In obedience to the injunctions of its Donor, we have endeavored to select only such works of enduring worth as are valuable for reference, or will aid students and scholars in original investigations of subjects in literature, science and art. But we believe the terms "students and scholars" may, and ought to receive so liberal a construction that even the mechanic and other arts of every-day life shall here find their appropriate aids and illustrations. Hence we choose works on hydraulics and the steam engine, architecture and mining, as well as the *Mechanique Celeste* and other recondite treatises. An early opportunity was afforded to the Committee to secure a most valuable medical work, *The Anatomy of Man*, by Bourguery, an illustrated treatise, the result of years of study and preparation, and issued in the most complete and elaborate style, in folio, from the Paris press. We have thus put within reach of the profession of Medicine in this community, a practical aid in the practice of Surgery, that not one physician in a hundred would think of placing in his own private library. We have also, we trust, struck the key note for the proper administration of the Sutton Fund, the fruits of which shall be more and more exemplified by our successors in coming years.

The Library at the present time contains about five hundred volumes, the larger part of which have been rebound in substantial and attractive forms. This style in the exterior of the books seemed to be required both by

the instructions of Mrs. Sutton, and in order that the eye might not be offended by any want of correspondence with the elaborate architecture and elegance of the Memorial Library Room, where they are to rest. Among these books the following donations from Mrs. Sutton attest that her interest in the Library is still bearing beneficent fruits. These donations, in the order of time, are: *Egypt's Place in Universal History*, by Bunsen, in five volumes; *Ceremonies and Religious Customs of the World*, by Picart, in six volumes; *Antiquities of Mexico*, by Lord Kingsborough, a splendid, illustrated work in nine folio volumes; and *International Exhibition of London in 1862*, an illustrated work in three folio volumes. Mr. Ezra Abbot has also presented Rev. Dr. Noyes's *Translation of the New Testament*, in one volume. It has been found necessary to make some changes in the shelves to accommodate the folio works. Another gift from Mrs. Sutton is a beautiful bronze Statuette of the National Monument to the Forefathers at Plymouth.

As a further aid in the performance of their duties, the Committee have collected catalogues, and have put themselves in communication with some of the principal dealers in books both at home and abroad. Among others, they applied to Mr. Bernard Quaritch, of London, who generously sent them his "General Catalogue of Books Arranged in Classes," an extensive compilation, free of expense.

With the other departments of the Institute, the Sutton Library was closed from the announcement of the death of Mr. Peabody, till after the funeral obsequies. Since it has been re-opened, a short experience seems to show that the present heating apparatus will prove inad-

equate for making it comfortable in winter, except in mild weather.

This report ought not to close without acknowledging the services rendered by the Secretary, Mr. Upton, in attention to the details of the purchase of books and properly placing them on the shelves;—also the labors of Mr. Osgood in selecting Scientific books for the Library.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee.

THOS. M. STIMPSON, *Chairman.*

EBEN DALE SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY.

*Library and Lyceum Committee of Peabody Institute, in account with
George A. Osborne, Treasurer.*

1868.		Dr.
April 1,	Paid Henry B. Ives, for blank books,	\$10 00
1869.		
April 29,	" For Johnson's Atlas,	17 50
May 17,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	924 81
25,	" E. P. Dutton's bill, books,	172 34
June 2,	" J. Perley's bill, blank books,	17 50
9,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	746 62
July 14,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	56 23
14,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	353 13
30,	" Expense incurred in purchasing books in May, June and July, 1869,	10 00
Aug. 2,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	240 97
17,	" R. Briggs's bill, number plates,	8 55
Oct. 1,	" Librarian's bill, services,	59 35
1,	" E. H. Staten's bill, gas fixtures,	87 98
1,	" H. B. Perry's bill, keys,	2 10
1,	" Gas bills,	2 00
1,	" One quarter's services of Superintendent,	37 50
26,	" Thomas Drew's bill,	2 30
26,	" Munroe, Arnold & Co.'s bill,	3 00
Nov. 16,	" Am. Naturalist bill,	21 00
Dec. 15,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	216 26
17,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	54 00
29,	" George G. Smith's bill, book labels,	10 00
29,	" Draft on England to pay for 1869 and 1870, volumes of "Notes and Queries,"	14 05
1870.		
Jan. 5,	" Munroe, Arnold & Co.'s bill,	75
5,	" Gas bill,	4 40
5,	" One quarter's services of Superintendent,	37 50
13,	" Am. Naturalist bill, books,	58 00
19,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	63 75
19,	" W. H. Piper & Co.'s bill, books,	45 75
Feb. 1,	" Clark & Giddings bill,	9 75
1,	" Librarian's salary, one quarter,	50 00
10,	" B. F. Stevens' bill,	4 09
14,	" Fares to Boston & Salem, since Aug. 1869, to obtain books,	5 00
19,	" D. P. Grosvenor's bill, chamois skins,	1 00
19,	" Newman & Symonds' bill, dusters,	3 00
19,	" Mutual Union's bill, dusters,	62
	Balance,	792 32
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1868.	
Mch. 25, By amt. received for sale of April and Oct. coupons, for year 1867; 500 a 133, \$665, 500 a 144 1-2, \$722 50,	\$1,387 50
1869.	
May 20, By sale of \$1000 coupons, being April and October Int. on the Fund for year 1868, a 141 3-4	1,417 50
June 24, By sale of \$500 coupons, being the April, 1869, Int. on the Fund, a 137,	685 00
Oct. 13, By sale of \$500 coupons, being the October Int. on the Fund, a 130 5-8,	653 12
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	\$4,143 12
1870.	
Feb. 21, By Balance,	792 32

G. A. OSBORNE, *Treasurer.*

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE FOREGOING ACCOUNT.

Paid for books,	\$2,984 41
Paid for blank books,	27 50
Paid for gas fixtures, number plates, book labels, and work on cases,	118 38
Paid services of Librarian,	109 35
Paid services of Superintendent,	75 00
Paid for gas,	6 40
Paid for express hire, stationery and incidentals,	29 76
Balance,	792 32
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	\$4,143 12
By proceeds of sale of gold coupons,	\$4,143 12
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	\$4,143 12
By Balance,	792 32

G. A. OSBORNE, *Treasurer.*

It was found that the
 following were the
 principal causes of
 the trouble, and the
 following were the
 principal remedies.

A SUMMARY OF THE RESULTS

The following table
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